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For: NONABSORBENT SURGE LAYER HAVING DISCRETE REGIONS OF SUPERABSORBENT AND  
METHOD FOR MAKING

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Thirty-eight (38) pages of specification, twenty-four (24) pages of claims (Claims 1-116), one (1) page of Abstract, and thirteen (13) sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-2, 3A, 3B and 4-20).
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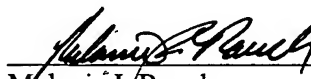
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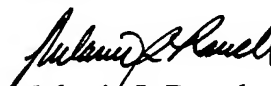
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